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APPOMATTOX LOSES A FINE CITIZEN

The community of Appomattox was saddened last week-end by the passing of one of its most respected business men. Charles S. Jenkins came to Appomattox from Crewe, purchasing the mercantile business established over half a century ago by the late L. E. Smith. In short order, Mr. Jenkins won the respect and confidence of the people in his adopted community. A man of profound religious convictions, he soon was a prominent churchman here, as he had been in Crewe. He expanded his business and for several years operated two of Appomattox's largest stores. It was unfortunate that his health declined in recent years, and like so many of the business men of his generation, he fell victim to a heart condition which finally claimed his life. He was a Virginia gentleman, a Christian leader, a civic-minded citizen, he will be greatly missed in all phases of community activity. We feel that Appomattox is a better community for having Mr. Jenkins in our midst.

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THE HUMAN RACE ENDURES

Practically every speaker, including those on the air and behind the pulpit, and most of the writers for the press, are busy advertising the crisis at hand for humanity.

This is the day of great decisions, they assert, almost in unison and, upon the decisions we now make rests the hope of humanity for future years. The general idea is to excite the emotions of readers and listeners and thus persuade them to "unselfish action," which, it is suspected, they will not accept on the basis of intelligent argument.

While the people of the world do face great difficulties at the present time, there is no reason to believe that thy are insurmountable or that they are unsurpassed in magnitude. Nearly every generation hears the same argument advanced, as men and women battle for political, social, economic and religious aims.

It may be encouraging to note that, so far, the human race has refused to commit suicide. It evidently possesses greater stability than some of its members would have us believe. Modern civilization, despite crises, real and imaginary, continues to spread throughout the earth, and men and women everywhere seem to be making progress toward the goal of better human beings.

There are reasons why the United States, as the wealthiest nation in the world, should make an effort to extend help to the peoples of under-developed and war-torn areas. Intelligent analysis of the world situation lends support to the belief that such assistance will, in the long run, be definitely in the interest of the United States and its people.

There is no use, however, in this connection, to continually cry, "wolf, wolf," and depict the fate of humanity as hanging on the ropes, awaiting our action. In fact, the suspicion is becoming somewhat general that the people are getting a little weary of the feverending pronouncements about crises and being told what they must do, or not do, in ordr to save humanity and preserve civilization.

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THE RECORDS CRAZE

Though some people are unaware of it, the business of cutting records has tripled in the past ten years and is enjoying an unprecented boom. It is expected to reach a peak of $350,000,000 this year, as some 16,000,000 teenagers continue to rush to buy records, many of them playing them on modern hi-fi record players.

In our opinion, new reproduction methods, such as hi-fi, have made recorded music extremely popular in recent years. Various dance crazes have also contributed to the trend, but it seems that better reproduction of music is the main answer.

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A UNIVERSAL CHURCH

Time and again we hear of the proposal for the establishment of a "universal" church, where theists, humanists, Christians, Jews and all religious truth-seekers might meet.

While the proposal naturally arouses considerable thought, we do not believe it will get far in this country, or anywhere else. Neither Christians, Jews nor members of other religious organizations are ready to subordinate the principal tenets of their faith to a generalized expression of religious truth. While we are of the opinion that no particular religious faith possesses all virtue and all truth, we see no great merit in the proposal.

The troubles of humanity, which some believe can be solved exclusively by religion, are not insoluble because of the professed religious beliefs of the world. They multiply, rather, because of the failure of the individuals of the world to live according to the best teachings of their particular religion.

It is natural for human beings, at the present stage of their development, to believe implicitly in the religion they happen to espouse. This includes, of course, the rejection of the beliefs of those who champion other religious views. Such beliefs, if sincerely held by individuals, on the basis of their experience and intelligence, can direct and influence the lives of honest and conscintious believers. It is right and proper that they should.

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The neighbor who borrows should be willing to lend.

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Background Scripture: Genesis 25:27 ff.; 27:1 ff.
Devotional Reading: 1 John 4:14-21.

Roots of Hatred

Lesson for June 2, 1957

IF the hatred between Arabs and Jews today threatens to wreck the peace of the world, this is made worse by the fact that it has been going on for a long time There is no hatred more bitter than that between brothers. The Bible shows that from ancient times, the most implacable enemies of Israel were among those people closely related to them by race. Indeed, the stories in Genesis trace this intra-family feud to two brothers, Jacob and Esau. In the story of how these two brothers became enemies, we can see some of the same roots of hatred which may be found anywhere in the world where one man or class or nation hates another.

Dr. Foreman

Inherited Quarrels

As Jacob and Esau grew up, the hatred seemed to be all on one side. Jacob may have despised his brother, or feared him; but there is no evidence that Jacob ever hated Esau as Esau for a time hated Jacob. It takes two to make a quarrel, but only one to make a hate . . . Or is that quite true? The roots of hatred are not always in the hater; they may be in the one who is hated, or they may not be in either one. Part of the reason why Jacob and Esau, though brothers, were not brotherly, was not their fault at all. In their home, father and mother were at odds. Isaac their father and Rebekah their mother had different, even clashing temperaments. The two boys being quite different from each other, their parents at once took sides. The mother played Jacob as her favorite, while old Isaac did his best for the other brother, Esau. It can be said that humanly speaking, coming up in a divided home, Jacob and Esau could never have grown up in peace. They inherited the quarrels of their parents. And inherited quarrels never grow less bitter—usually more so.

Low-down and Crooked

If one root of the hatred which Esau bore to his brother can be traced to their parents, another certainly must be trace' to Jacob himself. He was hated because he was hateful. As Billy Sunday once said, Jacob in his younger days was so low-down he had to climb a tree to look a snake in the eye, and so crooked he could hide behind a corkscrew. The famous sale of the birthright has something decidedly fishy about it. Some historians believe that Esau could not legally (as laws went at that time) dispose of his birthright, it was inalienable. In that case Jacob was promoting a criminal act. In any event, legal or not, the trade was not a fair one. Indeed it was grotesquely, monstrously out of line. One bowl of stew for a birthright! Considering the power and (in this case) wealth which a birthright carried with it, the bargain was a barefaced theft on Jacob's part. Then the theft of the blessing was even worse. It could not have been managed, one is inclined to say, if Isaac had been the least bit bright. Jacob need not have been surprised if, after that, Esau had muderous thoughts. When a man finds himself the object of another's hate, the first thing he should ask is, what have I been doing?

The Jealous Heart

But hatred grows also from roots in the heart of the hater. It is fairly clear that Esau never forgave Jacob for that birthright business. Strictly speaking, while Jacob was mean enough, Esau had only himself to blame for losing his birthright. He was so much the victim of his appetite that a bowl of stew looked bigger and more important than all the power and responsibility of a great birthright. He was by no means as near death as he said, and he had no right to lay all the blame for the bad bargain on his brother. But he did, and the thing rankled in his heart and he never, for years, forgot or forgave. So hatred may be partly the result of inherited quarrels, it may be partly rooted in a hateful attitude on the part of the one who is hated; but these other roots will wither in time unless they receive strength from the root that goes deep into the hater's soul. Conceit brings forth jealousy, and jealousy, long nourished, brings forth hate. And then not even murder is far away.

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Know The WEATHER

By E. H. Sims

Several airlines have installed radar weather forecasting equipment in their larger airliners and advertise it as a safety feature which enables pilots to fly around storm clouds and rough weather. The question is often asked how good such equipment really is.

The answer is that it is often highly valuable, though sometimes even radar - equipped airliners can't solve the problem of frontal or rough weather.

Radar is useful in spotting thunderheads at night, allowing pilots to fly around them. It also fulfills the same function in heavy skies in daylight, when dangerous cloud formations are likely to be hidden or concealed behind harmless clouds.

The thunderhead - most dangerous of clouds - carries quantities of water that radar's reflected waves bounce and show a clear picture of the trouble ahead. Thunderheads are usually just a few miles wide, though sometimes larger, and can be circumvented with the help of radar. They are turbulent, make passengers uncomfortable, and can be dangerous to any aircraft.

Pilots can often pick their way through a line of thunderheads, a front or squall line, by using radar and finding the "hole" in the front. But in a solid front, extending back many miles in a general high wind area, flying is kliely to be rough in any aircraft. But radar is definitely valuable as a safety and comfort device, even though it does not always guarantee smooth flying.

SHOES 'WALK' ON WATER

Mexico City.- The owner of a downtown restaurant forgot and left a water faucet on when he closed for the night. The next morning, the owner of a shoe store next door found more than 10,000 pairs of shoes floating in several feet of water. The restaurant was not damaged.

CAR IN BEDROOM

Hardin, Ky.- When Miss Regina Pace opened her window and yelled to a neighbor, "there's a car in my bedroom," she was telling the truth. Not only was an auto in her room, so were its two occupants. The auto had left the highway, torn through a field and ed a wall of Miss Pa ing her out of bed

Bouncing Babies

Many people never know where their next check is coming from. And too many never know when their last one is coming back. —Everybody's Weekly London).

GOLDEN GLEAMS

Knowledge comes, but wisdom lingers. —Tennyson.

All things I though I know; but now confess
The more I know I know, I know the less. —Owen.

The more we study, the more we discover our ignorance. —Shelley.

The knowledge of man is as the waters, some descending from above; and some spring from beneath. —Bacon.

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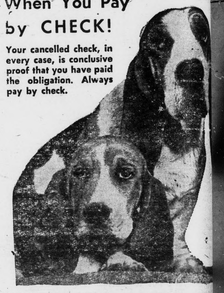

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...and Mrs. Harold Stratton ... Clarke Moore spent last ... with Mr. and Mrs. James ...chall in Alexandria.

...n Grayson Martin, Mrs. Ellen ...re and Mrs. Clarke Moore visited Mr. Charlie Martin Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Martin came home from the hospital Wednesday.

...e busy that wedding bells will be ringing around Oakville now.

...e are sorry to hear that Mr. ... Martin is in the hospital. We hope he will soon be well and out ...

...e are glad to hear that Mr. and ...s. J. Marshall have been visiting in Lynchburg. They will be home around the 15th of June.

...and Mrs. Murrell Jordan and Karen visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Moore Sunday afternoon.

DOCTOR'S O. K.

Milwaukee, Wis.- It was one of those times in a family—when practically all members were sick — that Donald Laine, 4, thought it best to add the family's woes to his prayer. This was how it went: "And, please, God, make my daddy better and my sister better and my mother—well, she went to the doctor today, so You won't have to do much for her."

NEW BOOK IN THE COUNTY LIBRARY

The Spiral Road, by Jan De Hartog.

What was Dr. Anton Zorgdrager's real mission in the Dutch East Indies? Into this strange world of brawling planters, crisp colonial officials and complacent colonial wives, of jungles, and rivers and Stone Age savages, he came as a complete novice. Soon he was fighting against the plague, far from civilization and at the beginning of a soul-shattering adventure. It was in the jungle that Anton discovered his gift for diagnosis, and it was the fascination of the jungle that destroyed his marriage and sent his wife back to Holland. Toiling among the disease-racked natives, he found three great people: Captain Waterreur; Betsy, the captain's wife; and Brits-Jansen. Upon these three Anton's fate was to depend.

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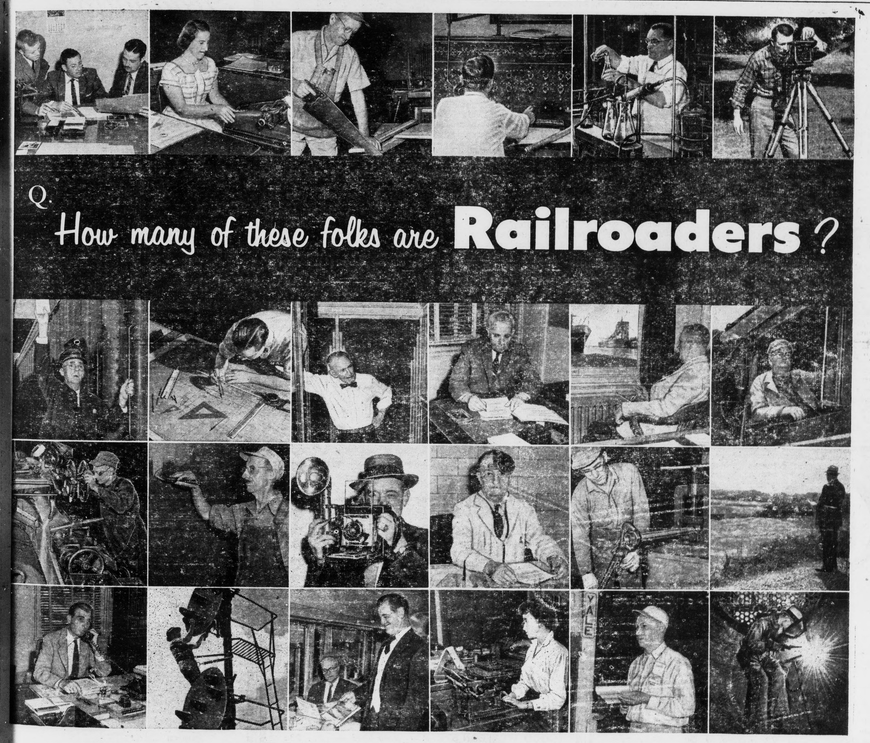

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